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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Rejection dated December 2, 2002 (Paper No. 21). A petition for a three-month extension of time and the appropriate fee, as well as a Notice of Appeal and the appropriate fee, accompany this response.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: